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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

INVENTOR(S) : Don W. Cochran, et al.
TITLE : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR
INSPECTING MULTI-LAYER
PLASTIC CONTAINERS
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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Dear Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The initial period for responding to the Office Action issued June 4, 2003 expired on September 4, 2003. A petition is hereby made for a three month extension of time up to and including December 4, 2003, in which to respond to the Office Action.

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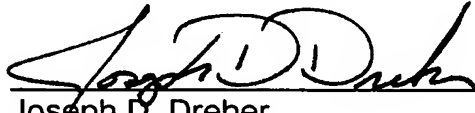
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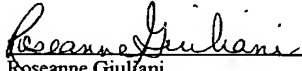
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